



## Bonnyrigg Early Learning Centre Newsletter 4

### Blossom and Willow Bubbles

#### **Key Worker Telephone Calls**

Please look out for the sign-up sheets for the opportunity to speak to your child's key worker. More information can be found in a letter on the school app. We appreciate that this is not as good as a face to face conversation but hope that you will understand that is not possible under the current circumstances. We hope that as many of you as possible will take up this offer. If you are not able to make any of the times please speak to a member of staff and we will try to accommodate you in another way.

#### **Disabled Parking**

Please note that the disabled parking spaces in the school car park should only be used by blue badge holders. There have been incidents recently where those entitled to use it have been unable to.

#### **Survey Feedback**

Thank you to all the families who took the time to complete our recent survey. The feedback was generally very positive. Please see a summary of the results and a document outlining changes we have put into place following your feedback, both on the school app.

#### **ELC News**

With the clocks changing our focus has turned to dark nights and to animals that hibernate such as hedgehogs and squirrels. We have also been looking at birds that migrate and where they go.

We had a low key celebration of 'Halloween' this year which involved a dress up day and tasting pumpkin cake made for the children by Mrs Allan.

Unfortunately baking with the children is not currently allowed under Scottish Government guidance.

We have also been looking at 'Bonfire Night' and have watched firework displays on the smartboard thinking in particular about the sounds that fireworks make eg zoom, woosh, bang, the shapes and the colours. There has also been lots of talk about fires and in particular how to stay safe around fire.

The children have had lots of opportunity to be creative, making their own firework pictures and making firework sounds using the musical instruments.

The children continue to enjoy lots of outdoor play and staff develop the garden area considering suggestions from the children.

Midlothian Council has provided us with new waterproofs for both staff and children which allow us the freedom to be out in all weathers. Each child will be allocated a set of waterproofs so that children are not sharing.